

## **AGENDA**

### **City Council Work Session**

## Tuesday, September 13, 2016 @ 6:30 PM

Anna City Hall, Council Chambers 111 N. Powell Parkway, Anna, Texas 75409

- 1. Call to Order.
- Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum
- 3. Briefing/Discussion regarding solid waste collection contract. (City Manager)
- 4. CLOSED SESSION (EXCEPTIONS)

Under Tex. Gov't Code Chapter 551, the City Council may enter into closed session to discuss any items listed or referenced on this agenda under the following exceptions:

- a. Consult with legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation and/or on matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Government Code (Tex. Gov't Code §551.071); legal notices and publication requirements
- b. Discuss or deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (Tex. Gov't Code §551.072); acquisition of right-of-way, easements, and land for municipal facilities.

The Council further reserves the right to enter into executive session at any time throughout any duly noticed meeting under any applicable exception to the Open Meetings Act.

- 5. Consider/Discuss/Action on any items listed on the posted agenda or any closed session occurring during this meeting, as necessary
- 6. Adjourn.

This is to certify that I, Carrie L. Smith, City Secretary, posted this agenda at a place readily accessible to the public at the Anna City Hall bulletin board. Posted on this.

Carrie L.	Smith, 0	City Secreta	ry

- 1. The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed in this agenda.
- 2. The Council reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meeting Act.
- 3. Persons with a disability who want to attend this meeting who may need assistance should contact the City Secretary at 972 924-3325 two working days prior to the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.



Item No. 3.

City Council Agenda Staff Report

Meeting Date: 9/13/2016

#### AGENDA ITEM:

Briefing/Discussion regarding solid waste collection contract. (City Manager)

### **SUMMARY:**

Council Member Burr has asked for an agenda item to review and discuss the requirements in the current and future solid waste collection contract regarding the collection of yard waste.

Under the current contract, general household trash is collected every Tuesday in the blue polycart. Except for a maximum of two (2) small Bulky Waste items or Bundles (see below), all regular household trash must fit within the blue polycart. A maximum of two (2) of any combination of smaller Bulky Waste items or Bundles will be collected during the regular Tuesday pick-up.

**Small Bulky Waste:** Small Bulky Waste items are not part of regular household trash and may include small appliances, furniture, and other household furnishings or debris. The horizontal and vertical dimensions of a small Bulky Waste item may not exceed four (4) feet in any direction, and the item must weigh less than 50 pounds.

**Bundles (Yard Waste):** Bundles of tree, shrub and brush trimmings must be securely tied together forming an easily handled package not exceeding four feet in length, and 50 lbs. in weight. No tree trunks or limbs in excess of six inches in diameter. <u>Grass clippings or other trash bags placed outside the polycart will not be picked up.</u>

The City supports the Don't Bag It™ initiative developed by the Texas A&M Agrilife Extension. With the exception of large woody brush, residents can recycle all their organic materials right in their own yards through composting, mulching and grasscycling. By recycling these materials, we're not just saving our landfill space but also improving our home environment. Organic matter adds valuable nutrients back to the soil, improves the condition of our soils, helps insulate the soil from temperature extremes, and helps plants survive dry periods by holding moisture in our soils.

If requested by the City our trash collection contractor (Bradshaw and Son) is willing to consider including paper lawn/yard waste bags among the two (2) Small Bulky Waste items or Bundles that may be placed beside the blue poly cart during the regular Tuesday pick-up. If approved, only standard paper bags (16"x12"x35") specifically manufactured and labeled for yard waste would be collected (bags can be purchased at most home improvement and hardware stores). Only organic yard waste would be allowed (no rocks or dirt) and bags would need to be left open to allow the collection contractor to verify the contents.

More information about the services offered under our current solid waste collection contract is on the City's website.

# **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Discussion only - no Council action is required.